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SUBJECT: CHAIRMAN OF MILITARY COMMITTEE'S STATEMENT AT NAC
CONSULTATION, FEBRUARY 24, 1978

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1. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE REMARKS OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
MILITARY COMMITTEE, H.F. ZEINER GUNDERSEN, DURING THE

FEBRUARY 24 NAC CONSULTATIONS.

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BEGIN TEXT:

"MR. SECRETARY GENERAL, GENTLEMEN: SINCE ONE OF THE KEY WORDS IN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THEREBY THE CONSULTATIONS IS THE WORD ARMS, I FEEL I AM ENTITLED TO SPEAK. BECAUSE ARMS FOR OUR ALLIANCE IS ONE OF THE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF SECURITY. AND, AS AMBASSADOR WARNKE INDICATED IN HIS OPENING REMARKS, THE SECURITY ASPECT IS PARAMOUNT.

"FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY AMBASSADOR PAULS.

"I APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS MAKING IN THEIR STRATEGIC ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS, AND THE CONSULTATIONS WITH AND BRIEFINGS TO THE COUNCIL ARE PARTICULARLY WELCOME. I ASSURE YOU THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS ARE OF GREAT INTEREST TO THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES. I MUST SAY THAT I FEEL WE HAVE A DUTY TO FOLLOW THEM EXTREMELY CAREFULLY, BECAUSE IT IS OUR ALLIANCE'S MILITARY SECURITY WHICH IS INVOLVED.

"I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION A FEW POINTS OF PARTICULAR MILITARY CONCERN.

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"FIRST, TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY. FROM A MILITARY POINT OF VIEW, A NON-TRANSFER PROVISION IN THE TREATY WOULD NOT BE ACCEPTABLE.

"SECOND, FROM A MILITARY POINT OF VIEW, NATO CRUISE MISSILE OPTIONS FOR THE POST-PROTOCOL PERIOD MUST BE PRESERVED AND NO PRECEDENT MUST BE CREATED.

"THIRD, IF THE SOVIETS INSIST ON BRINGING FORWARD BASED SYSTEMS INTO SALT III, SOVIET THEATRE SYSTEMS MUST ALSO BE INCLUDED.

"IN THIS CONNECTION, THE SOVIETS APPEAR TO BE EXPLOITING AREAS JUST OUTSIDE THE NEGOTIATION LIMITS. THE SS 20 IS A CLASSIC CASE, AND I REALLY DOUBT THE GOOD FAITH OF A COUNTRY WHICH IS CONDUCTING NEGOTIATIONS ON STRATEGIC ARMS CONTROL, AND AT THE SAME TIME, DELIBERATELY, AND IT SEEMS PROVOCATIVELY, PRODUCES SYSTEMS WHOSE CHARACTERISTICS ARE BARELY OUTSIDE THE PARAMETERS AGREED FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS.

"IN CONCLUSION, MAY I GIVE IT AS A VIEW THAT THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES OF COURSE SUPPORT A TREATY WHICH IS EQUITABLE AND VERIFIABLE. BUT IT MUST BE CONSISTENT

WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF MILITARY SECURITY FOR THE WEST."
END TEXT.

2. ACTION: REQUEST DEPARTMENT PASS TEXT TO ALL NATO
CAPITALS AND ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATE ADDRESSEES. GILTMAN
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